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NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERS	ON TO CONTACT	N REGARD TO THIS RE	PORT
CONSTANCE H. SIEGEL, PRESIDENT (315		(315) 422-04	01
	7.00	(Area Code - Tei	ephone Number)
B. ACCO	UNTANT IDENT	TIFICATION	
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whos	e opinion is containe	d in this Report*	
<b>EVANS AND BENNETT, LLP</b>			
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## OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, <u>Constance H. Siegel</u> , swear (or affirm) that to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of <u>Hazard &amp; Siegel</u> , Inc., as of <u>December 31</u> , 20 <u>02</u> , are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:				
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Γ	MARY K MANNS	Signature	<del></del>	
Į.	Notary Public - State of New York No. 01MA6015329  Qualified in Opondaga County	President		
	Qualified in Onondaga County Commission Expires Oct. 26, 20	Title		
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This repo	eport ** contains (check all applicable boxes):			
<b>x</b> (a)	Facing page.			
<b>x</b> (b)	Statement of Financial Condition.			
<b>x</b> (c)	Statement of Income.			
<b>x</b> (d)	Statement of Cash Flows.			
<b>x</b> (e)	Statement of Changes in Stockholder's Equity.			
<b>x</b> (f)	Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.			
<b>x</b> (g)	c) Computation of Net Capital.			
□ (h)	Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.			
<b>x</b> (i)	Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.			
<b>x</b> (j)	A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Unc	der Rule 15c3-1.		
<b>x</b> (k)	A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition.			
<b>x</b> (i)	An Oath or Affirmation.			
□ (m)	n) A copy of the SPIC Supplemental Report.			
<b>x</b> (n)	A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since	the date of the prev	ious audit.	
<b>x</b> (o)	Independent auditor's report on internal accounting control.			
** For co	conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3,	).		

SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

AUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

**DECEMBER 31, 2002** 

# Evans and Bennett, LLP

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Stockholder Hazard & Siegel, Inc.
Syracuse, New York

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Hazard & Siegel, Inc. as of December 31, 2002. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of financial condition presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hazard & Siegel, Inc. as of December 31, 2002, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Certified Public Accountants

Syracuse, New York January 27, 2003

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

## **DECEMBER 31, 2002**

#### ASSETS

Cash (Note 1) Deposit - clearing broker Accounts receivable - mutual funds (Note 2) Marketable securities - valued at market (Note 1)	\$ 5,943 930 1,951 310
Total assets	<u>\$ 9,134</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY	
Liabilities: Accrued expenses Total liabilities	\$ 2,450 2,450
Stockholder's equity: Common stock - no par, 100 shares authorized, 32 shares issued and outstanding Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings (deficit) Total stockholder's equity	16,000 2,500 (11,816) 6,684
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	<u>\$ 9,134</u>

A copy of the Statement of Financial Condition of the December 31, 2002 audited report of the firm pursuant to rule 17a-5 is available for examination at the principal office of the firm at Syracuse, New York, and at the regional (New York City) office of the Commission for the region in which the firm has its principal place of business.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**DECEMBER 31, 2002** 

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## **Nature of Operations**

Hazard & Siegel, Inc. (the Company) is a regional securities broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) as an introducing broker. The Company's customer transactions are cleared on a fully disclosed basis with a correspondent broker. The Company is engaged principally in the trading and brokerage of investment company shares (mutual funds), equity securities, bonds and other investment products.

## Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash - Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts, which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

#### Marketable Securities

Marketable equity securities in the Company's investment account are classified as "available for sale" securities and are valued at market value, fair value or bid price, whichever is most clearly determinable for financial statement purposes. For tax purposes, any unrealized gain or loss recognized on the investment account is removed from the calculation of taxable income. The aggregate value of marketable securities presented is below the Company's cost by approximately \$695.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**DECEMBER 31, 2002** 

## Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Securities Transactions

Proprietary securities transactions in regular-way trades are recorded on the trade date, as if they had settled. Profit and loss arising from all securities transactions entered into for the account and risk of the Company are recorded on a trade date basis. Customers' securities transactions are reported on a settlement date basis with related commission income and expenses reported on a trade date basis.

#### Commission Income

Company commissions and related clearing expenses are recorded on a trade date basis as securities transactions occur.

#### Income Taxes

The Company has elected to be treated as a Subchapter "S" Corporation under the Internal Revenue Code and the New York State Corporation Tax Law. Under these elections, the income, generally, is taxed directly to the stockholder. New York State has a minimum tax on corporations, which resulted in a corporate level tax of \$100 and is reflected in these financial statements.

#### Note 2. Accounts Receivable and Concentration of Credit Risk

The Company is engaged in various trading and brokerage activities whose counterparties include a fully disclosed carrying broker and other financial institutions. In the event the counterparties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counterparty. The Company has not experienced any credit risk related to loss and there has been no bad debt related expense from these transactions during the reporting period. It is the Company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counterparty. The Company uses the direct write-off method in recognizing bad debt. There was no bad debt expense incurred during the year ended December 31, 2002.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**DECEMBER 31, 2002** 

#### Note 3. Commitments

The Company leases office space at 120 E. Washington Street, Syracuse, New York, from Vinlandic, LLC on a month-to-month basis. The monthly cost is \$150 with an annual cost of \$1,800. Rent expense related to this lease for the year ended December 31, 2002 was \$1,750.

#### Note 4. Off-Balance-Sheet Credit Risk

In the normal course of business, the Company's customer transactions are cleared on a fully disclosed basis with a correspondent clearing broker-dealer. As such, the Company does not handle either customer cash or securities. In the event the customer fails to satisfy its obligations, the Company may be required to purchase or sell financial instruments at prevailing market prices to fulfill the customer's obligations. Settlement of these transactions is not expected to have a significant effect upon the Company's financial position.

The Company does not engage in proprietary trading of volatile securities such as short options and futures.

## Note 5. Net Capital Requirements

As a registered broker-dealer, Hazard & Siegel, Inc. is subject to the requirements of rule 15c3-1 ("The Net Capital Rule") under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. The basic concept of the rule is liquidity, its object being to require a broker-dealer to have, at all times, sufficient liquid assets to cover its current indebtedness. Specifically, the rule prohibits a broker-dealer from permitting its "aggregate indebtedness" from exceeding fifteen times its "net capital" as those terms are defined and the rule also provides that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. On December 31, 2002, Hazard & Siegel, Inc.'s aggregate indebtedness and net capital were \$2,450 and \$6,637, respectively, a ratio of .37 to 1 and net capital exceeded the minimum capital requirement of \$5,000 by \$1,637.